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FIRST NAMED INVENTOR OR APPLICATION IDENTIFIER: Linberg et al.
TITLE: APPARATUS AND METHOD FOR AUTOMATED INVOICING OF MEDICAL DEVICE SYSTEMS

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X **Specification:**

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- ☐ Deletion of Inventor(s) - Signed statement attached deleting inventor(s) named in the prior application (37 CFR 1.63(d)(2) and 1.33(b))
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- ☐ Notification of filing a
- ☐ Assignment of the Invention to Medtronic, Inc.
- ☐ Assignment cover sheet
- ☐ Information Disclosure Statement
- ☐ PTO Form 1449
- ☐ Copies of IDS citations
- ☐ Preliminary Amendment
- ☐ A copy of the Petition or Conditional Petition for Extension of Time in the prior application.
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- ☐ Continuation ☒ **Divisional** ☐ Continuation-in-part (CIP)
of prior application No. 09 / 430,208, filed October 29, 1999.
- ☒ Amend the specification by inserting before the first line the sentence: This application is a ☐ continuation ☒ division ☐ continuation in part of application number 09/430,208, filed October 29, 1999.
- ☒ Cancel in this application original claims 1-15 and 30-58 of the prior application before calculating the filing fee. (At least the original independent claim must be retained for filing purposes.)
- ☒ The prior application is assigned of record to Medtronic, Inc.
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☐ This application claims the benefit of U.S. Provisional Application(s) Serial No.(s) _____, filed _____.

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